## COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT, MARYLAND

## **RESOLUTION NO. R-21-07**

Introduced By City Council

Date Introduced August 12, 2020

**Amendments Adopted** 

Date Adopted August 12, 2020

Date Effective August 12, 2020

#### A RESOLUTION to

# APPOINT AN INTERIM CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER AND INTERIM DEPUTY CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER FOR THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT

FOR the purpose of appointing an Interim Chief Operating Officer and a Interim Deputy Chief Operating Officer for the City of Seat Pleasant; providing for the duration of the appointment; providing limitations on the authority of the Interim Chief Operating Officer and the Interim Deputy Chief Operating Officer; providing that the current Acting Chief Operating Officer shall resume the performance of his duties and the fulfillment of his responsibilities as Chief of Police on a full-time basis; and generally relating to the appointment of a new Acting City Administrator.

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to § C-701(a) and (b) of the Charter of Seat Pleasant, the City Council may, by majority vote, appoint a Chief Operating Officer; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council adopted Resolution R-21-04 on July 20, 2020, appointing the Chief of Police for the City of Seat Pleasant, Devan A. Martin, as the Acting Chief Operating Officer and supervisory responsibilities of the Chief Executive Officer for the City of Seat Pleasant (the "City"); and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council has determined that the interests of the City would best be served by Devan A. Martin resuming the performance of his duties and the fulfillment of his responsibilities as the Chief of Police for the City on a full-time basis; and

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**WHEREAS,** the City Council is conducting a search for a permanent Chief Operating Officer, but is not able to hire a new Chief Operating Officer currently; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council desires to appoint a person to temporarily perform the duties and fulfill the responsibilities of the Chief Operating Officer for the City on an interim basis until a permanent Chief Operating Officer is appointed and assumes that position.

**SECTION I. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the current Acting Chief Operating Officer and Chief of Police, Devan A. Martin, shall resume the performance of his duties and the fulfillment of his responsibilities as Chief of Police for the City on a full-time basis, while serving as the Interim Deputy Chief Operating Officer commencing August 12, 2020, and be paid commensurate with the pay established by the City Council for that position.

**SECTION II. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the City Council has determined that the interests of the City would best be served by Jeannelle Branson-Wallace serving as the Part-Time Interim Chief Operating Officer on a temporary basis and performing the duties and fulfilling the responsibilities associated therewith, along with the supervisory responsibilities of the Chief Executive Officer, under the following conditions:

- a. The appointment shall be effective on Wednesday, August 12, 2020.
- b. The appointment shall continue until the first of the following to occur:
  - 1. The City Council appoints a new Chief Operating Officer and that person assumes the duties of that position; or
  - 2. The City Council terminates the appointment of the Interim Chief Operating Officer appointed by this Resolution; or
  - 3. The Interim Chief Operating Officer appointed by this Resolution resigns from the position.
- c. Upon termination of the appointment, the provisions of this Section of the Resolution shall be null and void and of no further force and effect, without further action required by the City Council.
- d. The Interim Chief Operating Officer appointed by this Resolution shall receive compensation, payable bi-weekly in accordance with the City 's current payroll schedule, at the rate of \$50,000 per annum.

SECTION III. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

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Devan A. Martin

Acting Chief Operating Officer